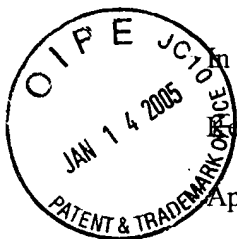


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on July 14, 2004, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments, and consider the following arguments. This response is timely filed requesting a Petition for Extension of Time for three months with necessary fees.

Attached herewith are articles by (i) Orntoft *et al.*, (ii) Hyman *et al.*, (iii) Pollack *et al.*, (iv) Hanna and Mornin, (v) a Declaration by Audrey Goddard, Ph.D., (vi) a Declaration by Avi Ashkenazi, Ph.D.

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